

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 564 without my signature.

While I strongly support providing all high school students with high-quality, standards-based instructional materials, the process proposed in this bill is not necessarily the appropriate mechanism to do so. If it is determined that the State should have the added responsibility of reviewing 9 through 12 grade instructional materials, then it would be more reasonable to do so by using the existing process used for K through 8 grade review. The K through 8 review process includes input and review from the public and final decision making authority vested with the State Board of Education.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger